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SUBJECT: Weekly Report - 20 Mar-27 Mar.52

1. On March 21 and 22 I was in contact with a foreign national who has expressed willingness to work for this Agency overseas. An operational memorandum on this case has been prepared and made available to that person in OPC who has been interested in the possibility during the last year.

2. On March 24, [REDACTED] and I discussed the [REDACTED] vocational interest inventory project with [REDACTED] and Mr. Allen Dulles. Mr. Dulles has given his approval. [REDACTED] has agreed to set aside a slot in the April 8-11 Orientation Course for [REDACTED]. He has agreed to arrive here on the morning, 7 April, for processing, and is willing to remain through the 12th. I believe that it is very important that [REDACTED] be thoroughly briefed and trained before he is assigned the task which we have in mind for him. I plan to devote a considerable amount of my time to his briefing and I will call on other members of the Staff to assist me.

3. [REDACTED] were here during March 25. They spent the morning with [REDACTED] and the rest of the day with me. We reviewed some of the comments that they have prepared on their report and also discussed a variety of research projects which are of importance to us and which they may be able to undertake. The gist of the discussions on the research projects will be submitted in a separate report.

4. [REDACTED] of the Personnel Policy Staff of the Office of Personnel requested my advice and review of a classification survey *procedure* made by the Office of Personnel of the Office of Communications. My comments were given orally, after reviewing the data, to [REDACTED] on 25X1A9a the afternoon of 26 March.

5. On 20 March I met with Mr. Meloon for about one and a half hours, discussing various aspects of testing and applied psychology. He has asked me to prepare a functional statement to cover the work of the new testing organization. I am giving some thought to this functional statement, but I indicated to Mr. Meloon that it would be desirable to defer any conclusions until Col. Baird has returned.

6. On 24 March I had lunch with Mr. John Garnet and Miss Grace Leonard of the Personnel Division of the State Department, and with Mr. Milton Mandell, research psychologist with the Civil Service

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1. The first step is to identify the problem or question that needs to be answered. This involves understanding the context and the specific requirements of the task.

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Commission. The meeting was arranged by Mr. Garnet so that I could obtain information from Mr. Mandell about an important research project which he is supervising, dealing with the selection of personnel by government agencies for overseas service. This project is being supported by the Dept. of State, Mutual Security Agency, and the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air. Mr. Mandell is ready to put out a preliminary report, a copy of which he will make available to me and he has invited me to drop in to see all his data at the Civil Service.

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7. Prepared for and forwarded to [REDACTED] a memorandum requested by him for possible expert assistants and consultants *on hypnosis.*

8. The third and last talk on the Written Interview Questionnaire was given to the Personnel recruiters on 26 March, 52.

9. Four persons were tested this past week, 3 P.T's and 1 Special.



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